



King County
*Aerospace
Alliance*



2012 Major Accomplishments



- ✈ The Alliance advocated for **state/federal legislation supporting the aerospace industry** including Governor Gregoire's 2013 Aerospace Action Agenda and reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank of the US, a vital source of financing for Boeing's international airplane sales.
- ✈ King County's Department of Permitting and Environmental Review established a **permanent point-of-contact to coordinate efficient and timely review of permit requests** from the King County International Airport and its 150 tenants. This is especially important to Boeing and other aerospace companies as they expand their operations in King County.
- ✈ The Renton School District completed planning for an **all-day Energizing Opportunities in Aerospace event on April 11, 2013** to inform and excite 200 high school career and technical educators from all King County K-12 school districts about family-wage career opportunities in the aerospace industry.
- ✈ The Workforce Development Council of Seattle and King County (WDC) invested **\$60,000 with the Renton School District and \$40,000 with the Auburn School District from Clinton Global Initiative funds** to support these districts in developing curricula and programs that will interest and prepare K-12 students for future aerospace careers. The WDC will invest an additional \$100,000 with more school districts in 2013.
- ✈ The Workforce Development Council of Seattle and King County provided **\$1.027 million to train 209 students** throughout the year in aerospace manufacturing, aircraft assembly, precision machining, and composite technology. 139 students are already employed.
- ✈ King County provided \$1.85 million to fund a **2-year Aerospace and Veterans Employment and Training program** at Worksource Renton to help veterans leverage their military skills into family-wage aerospace jobs. The goal is to **place 200-250 veterans in aerospace jobs annually**. Thirteen veterans began training in November, 2012.
- ✈ The Alliance supported expansion of aerospace training capacity through development of the **Central Sound Aerospace Training Center** at Renton Municipal Airport. **\$2.5 million in state funding was secured in 2012**, and additional funding is being pursued in 2013 to create a larger, world-class facility. The Center will help address industry's training needs and also help ignite the interests of future generations of aerospace workers through King County's first multi-institutional, multi-age aerospace training facility.
- ✈ King County approved an extension of Metro Transit's Rapid Ride F Line to the Boeing Plant in Renton to provide **greater transit service for Boeing's workforce**. Metro applied for and has been recommended for \$2.8 million in WA State Regional Mobility Grant funds to operate this extension for 4 years.
- ✈ Locus Analytics developed a **database of King County aerospace companies by jurisdiction and by work category**.
- ✈ King County sold a surplus park and ride lot adjacent to the Auburn Municipal Airport to the City of Auburn for aerospace use. Auburn resold the property to Orion Industries, one of Boeing's 2012 Suppliers of the Year, to build a **new 108,000 square foot manufacturing facility**, tripling its current footprint. Without this transaction, Orion may have needed to leave King County to find a suitable site.



Mission

The King County Aerospace Alliance (KCAA) was convened by King County Executive Dow Constantine to unite local jurisdictions, public sector groups, business and labor toward one goal — fostering the long-term economic vitality, growth and global competitiveness of the local aerospace industry — a major and indispensable source of family-wage jobs in King County.

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